

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel all rejected claims 1-17, 33-34, 36-38, 40-43, and 50-53, as follows:

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously Presented) A network selection method for a mobile station, comprising:

receiving a user input for manually selecting a non-home communication network for communications with the mobile station in a manual network selection mode of the mobile station;

selecting and operating with the manually-selected non-home communication network in response to the user input;

in response to regaining signal coverage from an out-of-coverage condition with the manually-selected non-home communication network while in the manual network selection mode, or in response to being powered-on from a power-off state while in the manual network selection mode, causing the following acts to be performed:

if the non-home communication network is identified as being available, selecting and operating with the non-home communication network;

if the non-home communication network is unavailable and the home communication network is also unavailable: displaying a list of available communication networks for a manual network selection procedure for manual network selection and operation with one of the available communication networks; and

if the non-home communication network is unavailable but the home communication network is identified as being available: instead of carrying out the manual network selection procedure for the manual network selection and operation with one of the available

communication networks, selecting and operating with the home communication network.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein the home communication network comprises a Home Public Land Mobile Network (HPLMN) of the mobile station.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the non-home communication network comprises a Registered Public Land Mobile Network (RPLMN).

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the home and non-home communication networks are operative in accordance with Global Systems for Mobile Communications (GSM).

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, further comprising:

in response to a visual input prompt for the manual network selection procedure, receiving a user input for manually selecting the available communication network; and

in response to the user input, registering with the available communication network.

23. (Previously Presented) A mobile station, comprising:
a user interface;
a wireless transceiver;
an antenna coupled to the wireless transceiver;
one or more processors coupled to the wireless transceiver;
the one or more processors being configured to provide for the selection of a communication network by:

receiving a user input from the user interface for manually selecting a non-home communication network for communications with the mobile station in a manual network selection mode of the mobile station;

selecting and operating with the manually-selected non-home communication network in response to the user input;

in response to regaining signal coverage from an out-of-coverage condition with the manually-selected non-home communication network while in the manual network selection mode, or in response to being powered-on from a power-off state while in the manual network selection mode, causing the following acts to be performed:

if the non-home communication network is identified as being available: selecting and operating with the non-home communication network;

if the non-home communication network is unavailable and the home communication network is also unavailable: displaying a list of available communication networks for a manual network selection procedure for manual network selection and operation with one of the available communication networks; and

if the non-home communication network is unavailable but the home communication network is identified as being available: instead of carrying out the manual network selection procedure for the manual network selection and operation with one of the available communication networks, selecting and operating with the home communication network.

24. (Original) The mobile station of claim 23, wherein the home communication network comprises a Home Public Land Mobile Network (HPLMN) of the mobile station.

25. (Previously Presented) The mobile station of claim 23, wherein the non-home communication network comprises a Registered Public Land Mobile Network (RPLMN).

26. (Previously Presented) The mobile station of claim 23, wherein the home and non-home communication networks are operative in accordance with Global Systems for Mobile Communications (GSM).

27. (Previously Presented) The mobile station of claim 23, wherein the one or more processors are further configured for:

receiving a user input for manually selecting the available communication network in response to a visual input prompt for the manual network selection procedure; and

registering with the available communication network in response to the user input.

28. (Previously Presented) A communication system, comprising:

a first communication network;

a second communication network;

one or more mobile stations which are operable with the first and the second communication networks;

the one or more mobile stations having the first communication network designated as a non-home communication network and the second communication network designated as a home communication network;

the one or more mobile stations being operative to provide for the selection of a communication network by:

receiving a user input from a user interface of the mobile station for manually selecting the first communication network for operation in a manual network selection mode of the mobile station;

selecting and operating with the first communication network in response to the user input;

in response to regaining signal coverage from an out-of-coverage condition with the first communication network while in the manual network selection mode, or in response to being powered-on from a power-off state while in the manual network selection mode, causing the following acts to be performed:

if the first communication network is identified as being available: selecting and operating with the first communication network;

if the first communication network is unavailable and the second communication network is also unavailable: displaying a list of available communication networks for a manual network selection procedure for manual network selection and operation with one of the available communication networks; and

if the first communication network is unavailable but the second communication network is identified as being available: instead of carrying out the manual network selection procedure for the manual network selection and operation with one of the available communication networks, selecting and operating with the second communication network.

29. (Original) The communication system of claim 28, wherein the second communication network comprises a Home Public Land Mobile Network (HPLMN) of the one or more mobile stations.

30. (Previously Presented) The communication system of claim 28, wherein the first communication network comprises a Registered Public Land Mobile Network (RPLMN).

31. (Previously Presented) The communication system of claim 28, wherein the first and the second communication networks are operative in accordance with Global Systems for Mobile Communications (GSM).

32. (Previously Presented) The communication system of claim 28, wherein the one or more mobile stations are further operative for:

receiving a user input for manually selecting the available communication network in response to a visual input prompt for the manual network selection; and

registering with the available communication network in response to the user input.

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44. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein, in causing of the acts to be performed in response to regaining the signal coverage or being powered on, the acts of selecting and operating with the non-home and the home communication networks are performed by the mobile station in the manual network selection mode without user intervention.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, further comprising:

prior to selecting and operating with the home communication network, causing a visual input prompt to be displayed for user selection.

46. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein the act of selecting and operating with the home communication network is performed after an expiration of a predetermined time period.

47. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, further comprising:

prior to selecting and operating with the home communication network: causing a visual input prompt to be displayed for user selection of only the home communication network; and

wherein the act of selecting and operating with the home communication network is performed in response to receiving the end user selection of the home communication network via the visual input prompt.

48. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, further comprising:

prior to selecting and operating with the home communication network: causing a visual input prompt to be displayed for user selection; and

wherein the act of selecting and operating with the home communication network is performed after an expiration of a predetermined time period.

49. (Original) The mobile station of claim 23 wherein, in causing the acts to be performed in response to regaining the signal coverage or being powered-on, the one or more processors are further configured to select and operate with the non-home and the home communication networks in the manual network selection mode without user intervention.

50-53. (Canceled)